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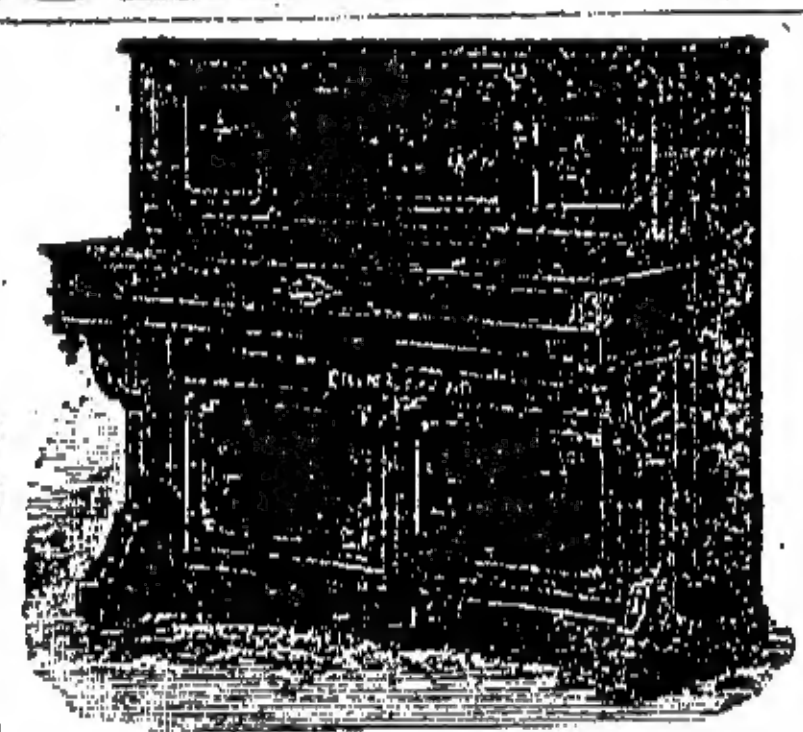
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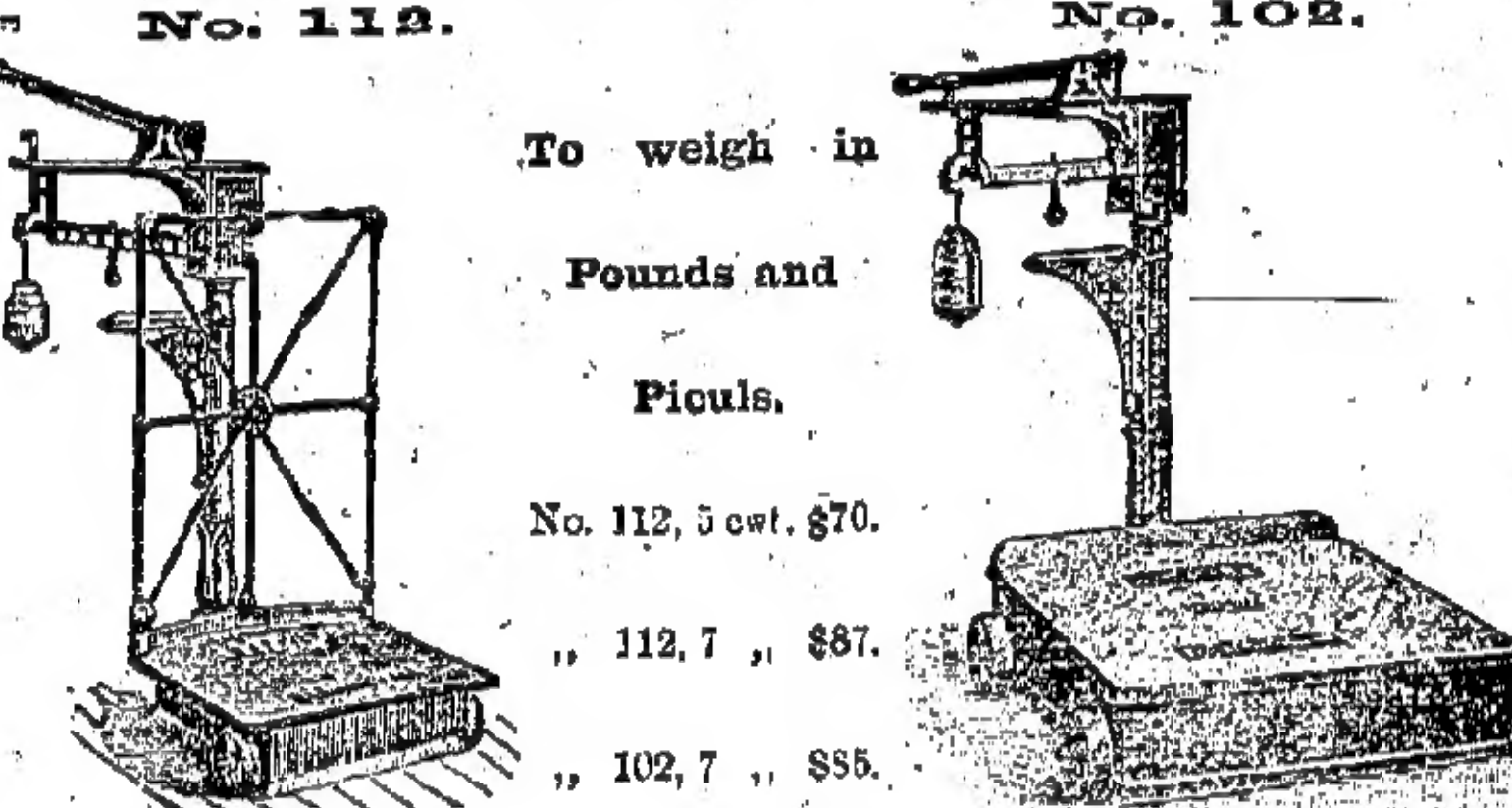
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Hongkong, January 1, 1898.

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Hongkong, January 1, 1898.

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OF 1894.

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OF 1894 will be ready for issue on the 3rd

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CUSTOM HOUSE,

Canton, December 30, 1897. 2564

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Hongkong, April 6, 1895. 698

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have in the very short time attained a  
 excellent position in the market. All this  
 shows, says the *Echo*, the baseness of  
 British pretensions to preponderance in  
 the trade of the Yangtze; but we fear our  
 contemporary will be disappointed if it  
 thinks that this extraordinary story will  
 discourage the British Government from  
 warning any other contender of the valley  
 of the Yangtze. France, apparently, is to  
 have Helmin as her share in the present  
 division of the spoils. — N. O. Daily News.

...concerns are proverbially exaggerated, and none of the Japanese people are so ungrateful as to be more grateful for services rendered than they are that there is any call for. Thus we heard that the house-boy of a Yokohama newspaper editor had been much surprised by a present of \$300 War Loan Bonds for his meritorious services. He was drafted into the Japanese army when the late war broke out, and he had been in the front lines for a long time. When he was invalided back, and then all he knew about the war beyond what he read in the papers. A Customs officer who was sent to Japan was presented with \$5,000 War Loan Bonds also for "meritorious services." In both cases, however, the condition was attached to the donations that the bonds must not be sold. — *Sunday World*

The Emperor of Japan sent an autograph letter of condolence to the King of Korea on the occasion of the State funeral of the late Queen, which was celebrated with much pomp recently.

The provincial Korean is said by recent travellers to be much better off than he is generally supposed to be. He has a considerable quantity of hard cash which he takes infinite pains to conceal from official eyes. His society in the way of the "pansori" during the winter is a hole in the ground in which he places his store of coins. Water is then poured in and the coins become embedded in a solid mass of ice. The process is completed as usual. In addition is made to the store, and finally a jar is sealed with mud (defies thieves - Japan Mail).

Lozen S. Standish (N.), Lieutenant A. W.  
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A very fine cooling performance was accomplished by the *Alagnon* at Gibraltar on Oct. 23. She took in 788 tons at the rate of 139 tons an hour. This is much better than her record in the manoeuvres when she got in 495 tons at the rate of 60 tons an hour, and her captain, officer, and crew are to be congratulated. This is not, however, as Admiral Folloswee seems to think the record. That still remains with the *Proflagen*, which has done 141 tons. It is true that for two hours the *Alagnon* took in 132 and 184 tons—a fact which speaks well for the stowage of this destroyer.

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Barometer ...	29.99	30.13	30.06
Temperature ...	67	65	69
Humidity ...	84	69	84
Direction of ...	NNE	NNE	NNE
Wind ...			
Force ...	1	1	3
Weather ...	c	b	.0
Rain ...			

Highest temperature on the ... .. 69  
 Lowest temperature on the ... .. 65  
 F. G. Rice, First Assistant,  
 Longdon Observatory, Jan 4, 1888.







TUESDAY, JANUARY 4, 1898.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Friday, December 31, 1897.

At 1020 Cash per Dollar Mexican.

Butcher Meat.

English.	lb.	Chinese Name.
Bacon, English.	100	來路烟猪肉
" Am. Sugar cured.	50	花旗烟猪肉
" Foochow.	240	福州烟猪肉
" Japan, cured.	300	日本烟猪肉
Beef, Aldin & prime cut, catty.	140	牛腩
" Corfod.	140	牛腩
" Roast.	130	牛腩
" Soup.	110	牛腩
" Steak.	120	牛腩
Bullock's Brains, per set	50	牛腦
" Tongue fresh, each	250	牛舌
" " " " " "	310	牛舌
" Head.	500	牛頭
" Heart.	150	牛心
" Jump, Salt, catty	140	牛心
" Feet.	60	牛心
" Kidneys.	50	牛心
" Tail.	70	牛心
" Liver.	70	牛心
" Trip (undressed) catty	60	牛心
Olives Head and Feet, set	500	牛心
Hams, American, lb.	360	花旗火腿
" Chinese.	260	來路火腿
" English, Now.	240	日本火腿
" Japan cured.	320	日本火腿
" Shanghai.	240	上海火腿
Mutton Chop.	190	羊腩
" Leg.	190	羊腩
" Shoulder.	150	羊腩
Pigs Chittings, catty	70	豬油
" Feet.	110	豬油
" Fry.	160	豬油
" Head.	500	豬油
" Heart.	50	豬油
" Kidneys.	70	豬油
" Liver.	100	豬油
" Pork, Chop.	190	豬油
" Corned.	330	豬油
" Leg.	190	豬油
" Fat or Lard.	180	豬油
Sheeps Head and Feet, set	400	羊油
" Heart.	50	羊油
" Kidneys.	70	羊油
" Liver.	100	羊油
Sucking Pigs, each	\$1.75 \$1.25	生油
Stut, Beef, lb.	100	生油
" Mutton.	110	生油
Yeast, catty	130	生油

Poultry.

English.	lb.	Chinese Name.
Chickens, catty	220	雞
" Capons.	250	雞
" Ducks.	170	鴨
" Eggs, Hen.	180	鴨
" Duck.	110	鴨
" Fowls.	180	鴨
" Geese.	190	鴨
" Hares.	400	鴨
" Musk Deer.	80	鴨
" Partridges.	300	鴨
" Pigeons.	200	鴨
" Pheasants.	800	鴨
" Rice Birds.	100	鴨
" Quail.	110	鴨
" Snipe.	160	鴨
" Turkeys, Cook.	400	鴨
" Hen.	100	鴨
" Teal.	900	鴨
" Wild Ducks.	500	鴨

Fish.

English.	lb.	Chinese Name.
Barbel.	140	魚
Bream.	80	魚
Bombay Ducks.	550	魚
Cat Fresh Water Fish.	100	魚
Carp.	100	魚
Outfish.	100	魚
Codfish, Salt.	80	魚
Crabs.	160	魚
Outfish.	100	魚
Dab.	100	魚
Dace.	80	魚
Dog Fish.	80	魚
Kela, Gorgon.	200	魚
" Fresh water.	180	魚
Kela, Yellow.	250	魚
Kila Fish.	250	魚
Frogs.	110	魚
Fresh Fish.	100	魚
Garoupe.	200	魚
Herdgoun.	90	魚
Germond.	80	魚
Barrage.	10	魚
" smoked.	100	魚
Halibut.	100	魚
Lahras.	100	魚
Loach.	140	魚
Loach.	180	魚
Mackrel.	100	魚
Mackrel.	100	魚
Mollus.	100	魚
Oysters.	100	魚
Parrotfish.	140	魚
Perch.	100	魚

Meat.

English.	lb.	Chinese Name.
Pork, White.	150	猪肉
Pork, Black.	120	猪肉
Prawns.	200	猪肉
Ray.	50	猪肉
Rock Fish.	80	猪肉
Roach.	50	猪肉
Salmon, (Caulon).	50	猪肉
Shark.	50	猪肉
Salt Fish.	100	猪肉
Skate.	100	猪肉
Shrimps.	100	猪肉
Suapper.	110	猪肉
Soles.	110	猪肉
Tench.	120	猪肉
Turbot.	100	猪肉
Turtles, small, fresh water.	500	猪肉
Whiting.	70	猪肉
White Bait.	50	猪肉

Fruits.

English.	lb.	Chinese Name.
Apples, (California).	250	蘋果
" (Tientsin).	100	蘋果
" (Japan).	100	蘋果
Bananas, fragrant.	30	香蕉
" (brides).	30	香蕉
Chestnuts, Chinese.	100	栗子
Carambola.	70	楊梅
Cocconuts.	90	椰子
Ground Nuts.	30	花生
Grapes.	30	葡萄
Lemons, China.	50	檸檬
" Peel.	50	檸檬
Lichens, Dried.	450	荔枝
" Fresh.	100	荔枝
Limes.	50	檸檬
Mahgo, (Sagun).	100	芒果
" (Manila).	100	芒果
Mangosteen.	100	山竹
Oranges, Sweet.	60	橙子
" Green.	50	橙子
" Red.	50	橙子
" Cochin.	30	橙子
Olives.	100	橄欖
Pine-apples.	80	鳳梨
Pears.	100	梨
" (Tientsin).	100	梨
Plum, Red.	100	李子
Pumelo.	100	柚子
" (Siam).	80	柚子
Raisins, Muscatel.	40	葡萄乾
" Pudding.	40	葡萄乾
Water Chestnuts, com.	40	荸薺
" Mandarin.	40	荸薺
Walnuts.	120	胡桃

Vegetables, &c.

English.	lb.	Chinese Name.
Artichokes, Shanghai.	50	洋蔥
Beans, (French).	120	豆
" Long.	20	豆
Best Root.	20	豆
Brinjals, Green.	30	茄子
" Red.	50	茄子
Brassica.	20	白菜
Bamboo Shoots.	10	竹筴
Cabbage, Chinese com.	30	白菜
Cabbage.	80	白菜
Cauliflower.	120	花椰菜
Carrots.	60	胡蘿蔔
Celery, Chinese.	50	芹菜
" English.	70	芹菜
Chilios Dried.	150	辣椒
" Red.	80	辣椒
Curry Stuff, English.	80	咖喱
Cucumbers.	90	黃瓜
Bitter Squash.	50	苦瓜
Garlic.	50	大蒜
Ginger, young.	50	薑
Horse Radish, S'hal.	150	蔞
Indian Corn.	100	玉米
Lettuce, (English).	10	生菜
Mushrooms, Fresh.	70	蘑菇
Onions, Bombay.	80	洋蔥
" Green.	80	洋蔥
" Shanghai.	80	洋蔥
" Japan.	80	洋蔥
Okra.	80	茄子
Parley, English.	10	洋蔥
Potatoes, Sweet.	80	甘薯
" Shanghai.	80	甘薯
" Japan.	80	甘薯
" American.	40	甘薯
" Foochow.	40	甘薯
" Macao.	40	甘薯
Pumpkin.	20	南瓜
Purplins.	20	南瓜
Papaw.	25	木瓜
Radish.	20	蘿蔔
Rice, best quality, per picul.	\$5.50	米
" Common.	\$4.00	米
Shalots.	50	蒜
Spinage, (Chinese).	80	菠菜
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Snake Gourd.	40	蛇瓜
Tomatoes.	80	番茄
Taro.	15	芋頭
Turnip, Funt, (Long).	80	蘿蔔
Vegetable Marrow.	40	茭白
" (Long).	40	茭白
Water Cress.	10	水芹

ALEXANDER WATSON.

FIGHTING ON THE INDIAN FRONTIER.

The following telegrams reach us by the

Rangoon Gazette.

Calcutta, December 13.—News of a smart performance comes from General Symons' force. It seems that during the retirement from the Wair Valley, Major Mackay on the hills on General Symons' right flank at the head of three companies of the 30th Punjab was hotly pressed by five hundred Afghans but repulsed them, inflicting some loss without a single casualty on his own men.

Calcutta, Dec. 14.—The Kacha column of the Tuchi Valley force broke up yesterday at Lorah. The Argyls have gone to Day.

The procession of empty conveyances to India by the Hangu-Bargat route continues unobstructed.

Despite their trying march in intense cold without heavy baggage General Symons' force has very few casualties. 1,300 laden mules have reached Swatkar yesterday from India but much difficulty is being experienced in pushing up the requisite supplies for the large force which has now to be provided for in the Bala valley.

The first (General Harty's) Brigade of General Symons' force reached Barkal on Monday after a cold march over the Sagri Pass, but General Lockhart was unable to carry out his intention of getting in the same day. He reached the Lakart Pass however, while only a few miles further up the valley and is expected to Barkal to-day, though his advance is still being harassed by the enemy's sharpshooters, many of whom are armed with Lee Metfords and have caused very regrettable losses in the last few days.

It seems that after a greater portion of General Lockhart's force had reached Shekhal camp on Saturday the rear-guard, under Major Downman, consisting of a company of the Dorset, a company of the 1st Gurkhas, and the 1st Punjab and 220 of the 1st 2nd Gurkhas were unable to proceed owing to difficulties with the transport animals entangled in the rice fields. The cold was intense, snow and sleet falling all day and the men were compelled to wait for rough boulders in the bed of a stream of icy water. The enemy's sharpshooters meanwhile harassed them continually and Major Downman eventually decided to seize a village about two miles from Shekhal and bivouac for the night. This was successfully accomplished and General Lockhart marched on next morning with two battalions and a battery and brought the whole force into camp.

Our casualties in the meanwhile had been heavy. They comprised Captain Norrie of the 1st Gurkhas, who fell in the left arm which has since been amputated; also the following losses amongst ranks: Killed off in action, six men 2nd Punjab, nine Gurkhas and eight followers. Several men are also reported missing and a number of baggage animals lost. These losses include one man 2nd Punjab, three Gurkhas and one follower. Wounded, one man 2nd Punjab, eight men Gurkhas and six men 2nd Punjab, nine Gurkhas and eight followers. Several men are also reported missing and a number of baggage animals lost.

Calcutta, Dec. 15.—General Lockhart's force arrived at Barkal yesterday. The enemy pressed on the rear both on Monday and Tuesday, though they were repulsed again and again with heavy loss. Our casualties were about fifty killed and wounded, not yet particularly heavy, but including the following officer killed, Captain West, 1st 3rd Gurkhas, and wounded dangerously Captain Short, 3rd Punjab; slightly, Captain Bateman, Champion, 1st 3rd Gurkhas.

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in London from the results of the analysis

of observations taken by means of an au-

tomatid tide recording machine in the Wa-

ter Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during

the years 1897-98.

The zero of the table is Low Water on

ordinary Spring Tides, which has been found

to be 2 feet below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide

gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 5 ft.

7 in., and on the gauge at Lamont Dock,

Aberdeen, add 12 ft. 9 in. the height given

in the table.

5th to 11th January.

High Water.

Low Water.

Time.

Height.

Time.

Height.

Time.

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